

***Manufactured Housing Industry
Inspection/Enforcement Authority Summary
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1. Michigan Statute and Administrative Rules provide the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) with the authority to inspect manufactured housing communities for compliance with the Mobile Home Commission Act. LARA may subcontract annual license inspections to local health departments.
2. Michigan Statutes and Administrative Rules provide the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) with the authority to inspect water supply systems, and sewage collection and disposal systems within manufactured housing communities for compliance with applicable statutes and rules.
3. Unless Local governments are authorized by LARA to conduct annual license inspections, they are generally precluded from conducting inspections of manufactured housing communities unless they “have reason to believe” that the Mobile Home Commission Act or Rules have been violated.
4. The Mobile Home Commission Act states: “This act shall not be construed to prohibit a municipality from enforcing its local ordinances or from taking any other appropriate action to protect the public health, safety, or welfare as authorized by law or its charter.”
 - Such ordinances include the local housing code, public health and safety ordinances, criminal conduct and nuisance ordinances.
5. Local units of government in which a manufactured housing community is located may also inspect rented homes within the community for safety purposes in accordance with a properly adopted rental inspection ordinance that otherwise applies to all other forms of rental units within the local governmental unit.